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In re Application of:

Thomas et al.

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For:

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Applicants submit the following Amendment in response to the Office Action mailed July 13, 2004. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 15 of this paper.



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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

Transmitted herewith are copies of the following document(s) for filing in the aboveidentified application:

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Shown below are the fees for the presentation of the amended claims:

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the above fee and any additional fee due for the above action, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account Number 16-1435. A duplicate of this transmittal is attached for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: October 13, 2004

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